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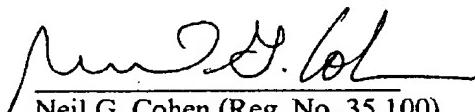
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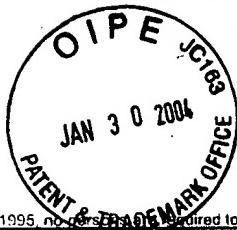


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JAMES SENG, iDNS, International DNS, Presentation, January 5, 1999, introduces the concept of a server-based solution for international domain names (IDN). A user points his/her machine to a special IDN server (iDNS), which transforms an IDN into a compliant format. If the user's machine is not pointed to the special IDN server, a traditional DNS server will receive an IDN and will not be able to resolve the same. This is illustrated by the diagram on page 10 of the Seng presentation, which indicates that 'OP Users' will not resolve. The concept of Seng would require that root servers, name servers, and intermediate machines be modified.

M. DUERST, "Internationalization of Domain Names," Internet Draft, December 1996 is an earlier version of the 1997 and 1998 Duerst references already of record. Duerst discloses the introduction of a new zero level domain (ZLD) – parallel to the "dot" root -- under which transformed international domain names would reside. As such, Duerst requires that any domain name registry has to register and manage syntactically parallel transformed international domain names below the new ZLD. Thus, root domain servers would have to be changed worldwide to implement Duerst.



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